

Appln. No. 09/996,347  
Amtd. dated May 12, 2005  
Reply to Office action of Jan. 12, 2005

#### REMARKS

The Examiner's allowance of claims 8-12 is noted with appreciation.

Claims 1-3, 22 and 23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 2,874,153 to Guyer. The applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-3, 22 and 23, as presently recited, are not anticipated by Guyer.

With respect to claims 1-3, Guyer does not disclose a hinged panel having a side portion being slidable in a substantially protected region between a secondary side panel and a tertiary side panel adjacent one of the major side panels, the secondary and tertiary side panels being connected along at least a portion of their edges. With respect to claims 22 and 23, Guyer does not disclose means between secondary and tertiary side panels having a connection along edges thereof for limiting interference between the product and the first and second side portions of the door during loading of product into the carton.

Instead, and as discussed in the previous Amendment, Guyer discloses its door flaps 42 and 43 are slidable only between unconnected flaps.

Claims 4-5 and 24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Guyer in view of either U.S. Patent No. 1,616,707 to Tanner or Adams (Body Smarts). Claims 6-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Guyer in view of Tanner or Adams further in view of U.S. Patent No. 1,142,020 to Carter. Given the above discussion of claim 1, from which claims 4-7 depend, and claim 22, from which claim 24 depends, it is respectfully submitted that claims 4-7 and 24 are not unpatentable over the cited references.

For the reasons set forth above, the Office Action's rejections are respectfully traversed and the claims are believed to be allowable. Reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

Respectfully submitted,

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